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Who Gives A Shit, Anyway?

By BRITTON JONES

Upon leaving this school, I can't help but wonder what is its future. I have seen the making of its past, but few people realized what had happened in the process of giving this school a heritage. This school was started as probably the most conservative institution in the city. It is supposed to be a Community College but it has failed in the attempt to be a good one. Reasons for this failure, is but one — Lack of foresight by those who control this school.

In September 1964, this school opened with about 700 freshmen in a revamped department store. These first freshmen and the ones to follow the next two succeeding semesters enjoyed space and seclusion. Someone got the bright idea that this school could hold a lot more than were already admitted. The internal increase of students in the school has progressed so fast and in so short a time, that in 1970, September, this place will be 500 students short of the theoretical limit of 5,000 students. For those who don't quite understand the meaning of this happening, try to understand this. When this school was started, there was 150 square feet per student. This has dropped this semester to 50 square feet per student and it is projected that in September, 1970, it will be down to 20 square feet per student. If one still does not realize the implications of the student increase, ponder this fact. More students were admitted January '70, than the original freshmen class. Probably the major reality of all this is, the school has still not expanded outwardly. The Admissions Department has to take a stand finally. They have several choices in making a decision. 1) They can close down their open door policy and stop the potential chaos in September or else 2) proceed as they have in the past and admit the first 1,500. Why must this confrontation exist? The answer is, nobody knows.

There are 24 curriculums at this college, three of which are transferable, the others are terminal. The question is, why does Community College take on the burden of business in this city? This college at its expense pays for their manpower. Why can't the big business complex of this city take on their responsibility and train people in their own companies (specialization of tasks) and send them to Community College for refinement. This will never happen but it's nice to know that it should.

After six years of existence, no one

knows or if they do know, they are not telling what is the purpose of this institution. That leads to the question of whose school is this really? If it only belongs to the City, why in the hell doesn't it (the city) do something for it? It's a shame that such an institution is subject to the whims of the mayor and city council. There is a tremendous irony, that is, industry dominates education. The school system of Philadelphia is going bankrupt but a new stadium gets built instead of schools. One wonders if education in the city is pre-World War II. The Parkway School in Philadelphia will die for lack of understanding of its purpose.

But this is not the first or the last institution to die in the city. The sad fact of it all is will any other group of educators attempt such undertaking in innovation as the educators that founded the Parkway School.

Back to the point at hand, Community College is in peril. The President of this school is but a puppet of the city and this is unfortunate because this college is not his domain. His word is far from absolute as far as this campus (the Mayor and city council) are concerned.

The students here have progressed to such an extent that they can be proud of their school this semester. THE STUDENTS have won a major victory, but this was inevitable. The time has passed when the meek shall inherit the earth because they are the cheap labor. STUDENTS are realizing their role and that was a long time coming. Few people can remember when you could not leaflet in the lobby, campaign for the presidential elections, drop courses with a three week time limit, had no idea of student rights subject to the arbitrary whims of a chosen few, and know to themselves they did not know who Dr. Bonnell was. All these have radically changed, thanks to STUDENTS, who were really concerned with the welfare of this institution. We finally have been recognized and one can only hope, that if the STUDENTS here now can look on the past, judge their present, and hopefully lead to a future that will make this college, the institution that it should be. To all this there is a vivid reality and it was well stated in T. S. Elliot's "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" "In the room the women come and go Talking of Michelangelo." And so do people here at Community. Good-bye.



Ramblings

By ALAN GLAZERMAN

The time to vent one's spleen is usually after one's dinner. And although my vitriolics can reach a considerable level, the damage or good has already been done.

One summed up a school of thought when he observed on the walls of the Men's Room the phrase referring to the toilet paper: "CCP Diplomas — take one". I do not fully subscribe to this view point, although it has some validity.

My education experience at this school, not to belabor the issue, has had much to be desired. But this was rectified because I had a lot to desire. I do not think that college is the place to replay the idiocies of high school, and I also do not think that I ought to suffer because of the backwardness of this city. But no matter. This school will go on trying to retain the wretched refuse of our teeming shore. The gesture is a

noble one; however, this largesse is grossly misplaced.

Wretched, vomititious, is the word to describe the political chicanery on the part of the administration of this school. They are all honorable men but so was Brutus an honorable man. I would have had much more respect for Dr. Bonnell had he would have "stood in the doorway" against the oppressiveness of the city and police structure.

I have had on the whole, dedicated, intelligent and interesting teachers. For what I have been taught I thank you. I even thank those of you fellows that have bored me to tears, this indeed is a form of learning.

If I had to do it all over again, I wouldn't do it here, but the experience had not been shattering enough to destroy my sanity. I love you all. Good-bye.



THE CIRCUS CAME TO TOWN

By JIM MORAN

Community College was turned into a three-ring-circus on Tuesday, April 14th. The Greatest Show on Earth was cosponsored by members of the Administration, the Student Union, and Paul Sherwood, Dean of Students.

The fun started when a Student Union meeting was scheduled at the same time as a fashion show.

The Student Union meeting could be called nothing less than a disaster. About fifty people gathered together in the auditorium to hear the same bullshit, committees being formed, this meeting being held, and the administration out to get us.

Frustrated at the attendance the members of the Union decided to ask Dean Sherwood for permission to hold a meeting in the lobby next week.

Everyone then filed out of the Annex and over to the first floor, where everybody was watching some girl in a bathing suit and getting all worked up.

Close to 100 people filled the office of Dean Sherwood in what was to become the main event of the afternoon.

Sonny Kanterman asked if the Union could use the lobby on next week.

Dean Sherwood responded in his usual direct manner "I don't have the authority".

When asked who had the authority the Dean of Students said he did not

know. Then he changed his mind and said he did.

Mr. Sherwood decided he could not talk to a "mob" and gave no answers to any of the questions the students had on their minds.

Dean Sherwood was in his usual style. With a 1940 sense of humor and his hostile attitude he demonstrated his feelings towards the student Union. He denied the validity of the election despite the American Arbitration Association supervising it.

Later Dean Sherwood was seen waving a pencil and sticking his tongue out at Buz Eisenberg.

He was asked why the fashion show was allowed to be held in the lobby after the Anti-Draft week was told that the lobby was not to be used under circumstances.

The end was near as the other Two Musketeers, Rev. Fields and Mr. Dougherty, arrived.

Rev. Fields reminded the Dean of an appointment that afternoon and he would have to leave. Mr. Sherwood said he would meet with people individually that afternoon.

The funniest part of the show was Rev. Fields sitting down and giving everybody one minute appointments to see the Dean Of Students. This climaxed what Danny Goldberg so properly called "The theatre of the absurd".

Predictions For The Future

Allen Bonnell will become head puppeteer for Jumpin' Jim Tate's Flying Flea Circus.

Paul Sherwood will become a speechwriter for Spiro Agnew.

Student Apathy Club forms, but will disband due to lack of interest.

Macke Caters Board of Trustee's Luncheon — 10 seats will be vacant.

Police raid fire tower — student body reduced by 4,000

Wards Folly opens boutique in Northeast section of lobby.

Rizzo will visit school and declare it a pig pen.

Dougherty wins — America loses.

COMMENCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT

Commencement Exercises will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, May 18, at Irvine Auditorium, 34th and Spruce Sts. The principal speaker will be the Honorable A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr., Judge of the U.S. District Court for Eastern Pennsylvania.

In addition, a student speaker is being chosen by members of the Commencement Committee, including all of the student members. Those graduating seniors with an average of 2.5 or better are eligible to submit a draft of their proposed speech to Patricia Holmes or Terrie Aycox in the Student Union Office as soon as possible.

The Commencement Committee, under the chairmanship of Professor Rufus Cox, has announced that rehearsal for the ceremony will be

held Friday, May 15, at 10:00 a.m. at the Irvine Auditorium. All Seniors who expect to graduate are asked to attend so that they will know their proper part in the exercises on Monday.

The College is especially fortunate in securing Judge Higginbotham as its principal speaker. Forty-two years old, he is the recipient of the Menninger Award, the 1968 National Human Relations Award, and is Chairman of the National Committee of Reform of Federal Criminal Laws. He will be a visiting Professor of Sociology at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania this fall. Among his broad memberships are those of the Law School of Yale, the University of Pennsylvania, and Jefferson Hospital.

"DON'T YOU DARE REPEAT THAT"

By DR. SHERWOOD

"I love the war"
"You are beautiful"
"Well you could always quit school and come back at some later date."
"Get off my table."
student reply, "I took my shoes off."
"Oh! That's all right."
"You better get your information straight."
student reply, "Which article was it?"
"One of them."
"If they don't like the job I'm doing, they'll fire Sherwood."

DEAR DR. BONNELL AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

In the past, I have always considered myself a figure who the students could identify with. A person who the students could tell their problems to. A father and mother to the students of Community College. But now I'm considered only as a mother.

As Dean of Students, I tried as hard as possible to instill a feeling of Academic Freedom. I didn't do anything to restrict the students. In fact, I didn't do anything at all.

In the past few months, I have been accused of being a racist and a bigot. Let me make one thing perfectly clear: I am not a racist. I was slightly intoxicated when I made the statement, "Everyone is equal, but some are more equal than others." And when I said, "I love the war," I was merely trying to appease my fellow members of the John Birch Society, who were aghast at my wildly liberal attitudes towards the students.

In short, I find it extremely difficult to continue as Dean of Students.

If you could promote me to another office more worthy of my qualities and talents, for example a janitorial position, I could find it in my heart to stay on.

If it be the fact that my services are not desired in a position more to my liking, I must resign as Dean of Students (?) and go in search of a position closer to my goals and ambitions.

Somewhat Sincerely yours,

Dean of Students



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Who's Kidding Whom?

By T. A. MARTIN

Often times with self righteous men who have strong religious background we see a hypocrisy of rationale. The Christians marched south to the Holy lands in the crusades. In modern times we have crusades of ideology or religion in Southeast Asia and the Middle-east. To contribute to either is contributing to murder. If you're against the war in Vietnam you cannot be for the war in the Middle-east. Yet one sees so many American Jews supporting Israel in one war and not supporting their own country in Vietnam. I question their sincerity and their rationale and suggest a little soul searching.

In the April 10th issue, I condemned Mr. Dougherty and a group of students led by David Kaufman for their activities in subverting student mobilization whatever the cause. Presently I have further evidence against them in the form of a signed testimony. Two students who have been involved in the Dougherty-Kaufman conspiracy (whose names are being withheld at their request) and deny any involvement in most recent attacks on the student union by the Dougherty-Kaufman faction. In the testimony they placed all responsibility for the slanderous leaflet of 23 March

on Kaufman and say they witnessed him printing it up. Also they deny any collaboration with Dougherty or Kaufman on the rumored "coup" planned for the end of the semester by the faction.

I've received more information from reliable sources relating that Mr. Dougherty has and presently is collaborating with the police to identify student activists. And, undoubtedly, maintains a doomsday book.

I believe Mr. Dougherty has gone beyond his capacity as Athletic Director and now personally is policing student activities. His most recent involvement with students was at the latest visit of the ROTC recruitment team. Before Mr. Dougherty and Dr. Sherwood burst onto the scene, students were discussing many varied subjects with the officers and still allowing other students to get information. But when Dougherty and Sherwood came they ordered out all students with long hair and non-conservative clothes. Dr. Sherwood was acting as Dean of students while Mr. Dougherty was acting in behalf of reactionaries of the right.

I believe the school would be much better off without trouble makers like Mr. Dougherty.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Error

Dear Editor:

I wish to point out a serious error in reference to my letter which was published in the April 10 Communicator.

The editorial I was writing in response to, appeared in the March 27 edition of the Inquirer, not in the Bulletin as stated in my letter and in the Communicator headline.

The error is all mine. The Communicator not only faithfully reproduced what I gave them but also granted me first class treatment in my dealings with them. The mistake was pointed out to me in very understanding way by Mr. Lawrence Jacksina, Public Relations Assistant for the Bulletin. Mr. Jacksina included the editorial his paper did the same day (March 27) on the conflict at CCP. In my opinion, it makes an attempt to understand, to be fair, in a way that the Inquirer editorial did not.

Dave Sanberg

Who Does

T. A. MARTIN

Think He Is?

In regards to the article called "Who's Kidding Whom" by T. A. Martin, I would like to bring out a few points. Did Tom Martin go to any meetings to hear David Kaufman's opinions or did he get them from the biased informants behind the Communicator? Also who does Martin think he is saying, "Kaufman has been involved in several anti-people campaigns?" That has got to be the most biased false statement I ever heard. I found amusement in the comment about Kaufman and his boys waving their flag in a maudlin reactionary fashion when there was any sort of change in status quo. Did you ever consider that perhaps they were concerned enough to speak out against an issue that they did not believe in?

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Albert Hall

EDITORIAL COLUMN OR WRITINGS ON A SUBWAY WALL THE MAYOR SPEAKS

In the Sunday Bulletin (April 19th) there was an article which told of Mayor Tate's threat to CCP students. In his usual heavy handed manner, Mayor Tate used the guise of "his mission to preserve general public safety", to lean on both students and any liberal administrators. Mayor Tate warned all students, sitting-in or demonstrating at CCP he will, for public safety's sake, clear them out.

Philadelphia had the reputation for being the biggest small town in the USA. It is pretty clear we did not get that reputation for anything other than our small-time politicians: beginning with Mayor Tate. Mayor Tate has the sophistication and political acumen of a novice bartender. This is not to imply the mayor is a political idiot since it is well known that he excels in backroom politics, weilds power with the best of the machine politicians. It is failure to up-date in style of repression that is the subject at hand. For if Mayor Tate had listened to Dr. Bonnell and let him placate student strikers with pallatives, the standard procedure, he would not have to make assine statements or threats. As Dr. Bonnell said, "demonstrations and sit-ins have become part of college life" and no matter how many times the mayor sends Rizzo and his storm troopers in, they will still take place. In fact, sending the cops in might start new confrontations.

EARTH WEEK?

The philosophy of Earth week is a grand one, "save the earth—halt the polluters". Many fine young men and women have put hours, and more often days into educating the masses, "before it's too late". With such a grand humanitarian cause many political hacks have come out of the "woodwork" to ally themselves with the young and idealistic. In nature such relationship would be called parasitic; yet many feel the aid of politicians might expedite the cause. So in all the glory and pomp earth week marches on to its own oblivion, and making everyone feel satisfied with themselves. Listen, there is only one way to stop pollution and that is personal sacrifice. No bullshit, everyone has the responsibility and the power to do something and if they don't they have only themselves to blame. First, do not buy any new cars unless it meets every standard the federal government sets up. Second only buy gas that is lead free. Third and lastly do not pollute by litter on land or sea and do not purchase products that are not packaged in reusable or rapidly decaying materials. Sounds simple, then do it why kid yourself if we don't do it now it will never be done.

STUDENT UNION?

With the fanfare over and exams around the corner the student union finds itself in a strange position. The administration although it recognizes the student union it also recognizes the old SGA. This poses a problem for the union since anyone on the old student government can contest anyone they send to certain committees in the school. Also spring has caused dents in the union with student's minds dancing off to who knows where. The goal of the student union right now should be to set things up for next semester, rather than waste time and labor on a quickly dying ember of the student strike.

The time has come for those who are irresponsible to the needs of students to stop thinking themselves capable of making decisions which affect our education. Two such cases are those of James Tate and Paul Sherwood.

The remarks which Mayor Tate released over the weekend stating police would be used to break up sit-ins and demonstrations at Community College when city officials believe that the possibility of danger exists, shows his misunderstanding of the right of peaceful assembly and his ignorance the problems students face.

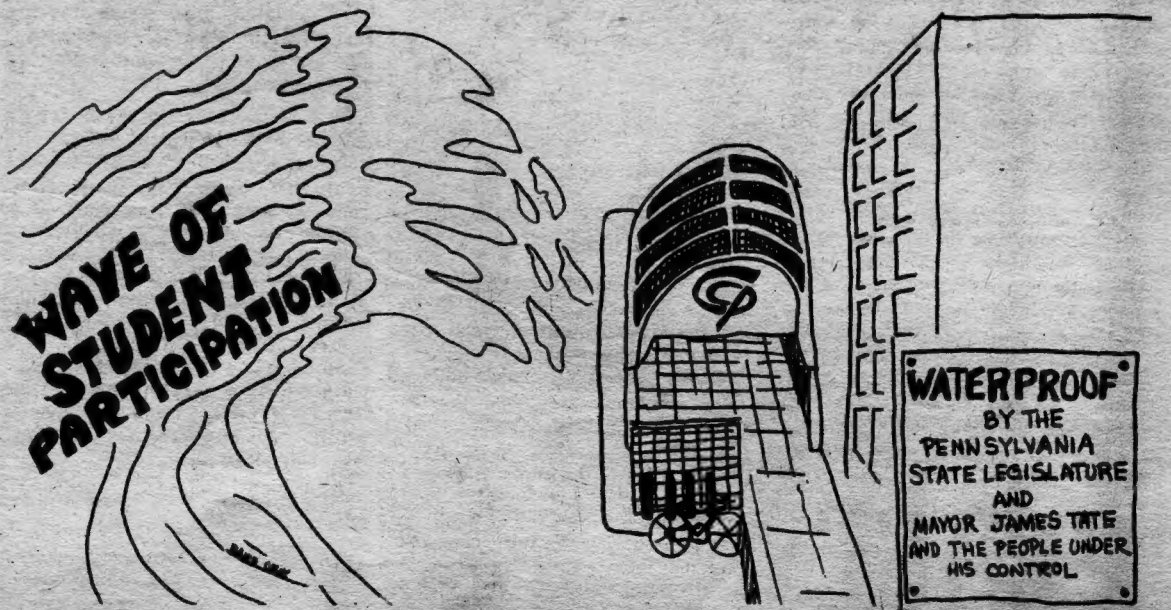
Nobody can deny that whenever a large group of people gather together the possibility of danger exists. The only conclusion that can be understood from a statement such as this is that the Mayor plans to use the police to break up any peaceful demonstration he does not agree with.

Paul Sherwood, Dean of Students, has demonstrated by his actions and attitudes that he is no longer suitable for that position.

Dean Sherwood refuses to recognize the legitimacy of the Student Union. One can only wonder how he justifies this position when over 2,000 students signed a petition considering themselves members of the Union.

When Dean Sherwood refuses to allow an anti-draft meeting in the lobby, stating it is not to be used under any circumstances, and then allows a fashion show clearly shows an inconsistent behavior which is guided only by his own prejudices.

A real change is necessary. To replace Mayor Tate with Paul D'Ortona or Dean Sherwood with Mr. Dougherty is not a change. The time has come for us as students to make sure only responsible, capable people are given positions which affect our education and our lives.



DECLARATION OF INTERDEPENDENCE

By FRANCIS FORCE

Everyone is crying for the end of the "system" and the establishment as we know it today. The establishment is just what it implies — established. It started out simple and uncorrupt, and over a period of years it has become complicated, hypocritical and unjust military-industrial power structure we are all subjected to every day of our lives. It is this vicious circle that is turning us round and forcing its will and misplaced values on us. If we are ever to rid ourselves of this oppressor, we must first accept and follow another, more rational, arrangement of values, and look at the problem in a revolutionary way. My only answer to this was to cite the reasons why I am impelled to change things, declare my own independence, and start all over again.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for a people to dissolve the political bands and social values imposed on them by another group trying to exploit, control and dominate them, opinions of mankind require that they should declare the reasons which impel them to change.

We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are equal, and that because they are human they are entitled to certain rights which cannot be taken from them, that among them

are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. To secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, and they are directly responsible to serve the will of the people, that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying the foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to insure their safety and happiness. Common sense implies that temporary conditions and situations are not enough to abolish a long-established government. However, when a long train of abuses and injustices pursuing the same object show a design to reduce them to complete hopelessness, it is their privilege and duty to overthrow that government and provide new guards for their future security.

Such has been the case of the oppressed and divided masses in this country; and such is now the necessity which forces them to rebel against their former systems of government. The history of the present established military-industrial power complex is one of the constant injuries, unjust laws, prejudice, and suppression of truth, resulting in tyranny over the

people. To prove this, let facts be submitted to an uncorrupt world.

Because of corruption and greed, laws that are most wholesome and necessary for the public good are not enacted. This power structure has unjustly persecuted and disposed of voices which cry out to the people to make them aware of infringements on their rights. A prime example of this is the persecution of the Black Panther Party leaders.

It has brainwashed the people into accepting an out-moded judiciary system that is unjust and old-fashioned. We have become so oppressed by old customs that it is impossible to change or revise them with a revolutionary new system. It has endeavored to prevent us from thinking with open minds through brainwashing and by placing our values on wealth and power instead of security, education and cooperation.

It has subjected us to capitalism, a cancerous system that preys on and destroys our conscience, divides us, and makes us compete with one another in every way for everything.

It has set up an abstract system of electing its officials in such a way that they are financially dependent upon

big business to be elected by the people. Because of this they are responsible to big business for money, instead of the people.

It has set up a vast secret intelligence organization responsible only to it for the purpose of disturbing the privacy of the people, causing paranoia, harassment, and the eating away of our substances.

It has subjected the youth of the nation, in time of peace, to mandatory military service by way of an inhumane draft lottery. It has sent hundreds of thousands of our young to foreign lands to kill and be killed in undeclared wars against undefined foes.

It has endeavored to render the police and the F.B.I. independent of, and superior to, the civil and local powers.

It has subjected us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws, by means of misinterpreted laws and security. It has quartered among us large bodies of armed men, their main function being to protect private property, and forcing an unwanted will upon the people, and then protecting them with a mock trial designed to keep them from punishment for any murder or atrocity which they might commit on the people. Their known

rule of suppression is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes, colors and conditions.

It has, through propaganda, rhetoric and complicated, obscure laws deprived people of their right to a trial by jury because they would not recognize the system.

It has assassinated prominent public figures, because of their liberal views and charismatic appeal during their attempts to reunite the people of this country.

It has polluted our skies and rivers, killed our forest game, and channelled the nation's poor into over populated ghettos, and decayed the power of the people by turning black against white, middle-class against poor, young against old, and using any method possible to divide us among ourselves so that they may control our lives.

All these, and an infinite number of situations and circumstances that oppress us are common knowledge, because of the multitude of attempts to change them, but to no avail.

It is for these reasons that I have joined the revolution and committed myself to bringing about social reform and to bring power to the people where it belongs.

ALL THIS IS NOWHERE

By GEORGE BEASLEY and SAUL P. JONES

In looking back over the past year we see a lot of things that frankly, got us pissed off! We'd just as soon not look back on them, but we're going to be here next year and this paper is going to be in our hands — new hands — and we don't aim to please. Therefore, there are certain problems that we will be dealing with using the power of the press as our right hand. But first, there are a few things that we feel like mouthing off about.

Community College has potential as does any college. Just because we're a community college, and we're on 11th St. doesn't mean that we can't be every bit able to stand up to any college in the country. Now, you might think that last statement is funny, ridiculous, or absurd. If you do, then you're probably one of the idiots who just comes here, looks around, sees what everybody else is doing and follows suit.

Let's take the assholes in the lobby for instance. As you enter the "animal farm" and if you have intentions of "hanging" there and being "in", you had better either be Black or Jewish or you will soon find that you don't blend with the crowd. However, there's still hope for you. There are ways of getting around one's nationality. Start out by picking yourself up a "wet-look" jacket if you have intentions of hanging with the "Northeasterners." Complete your outfit with a pair of bells from I. Goldberg's and a pair of the latest "hippy" sunglasses. You'll automatically find yourself starting to

grow your hair longer. (By the way, these little hints don't apply to you chicks. Any girl, no matter who you are can get in with the lobby crowd. Just stand around anywhere and before you know it, every other horny bastard in the place will get around to trying to "make" you.)

Back to the guys. Guys if you really want to make it big and go all the way, get yourself a complete dungaree outfit and a cycle helmet. You don't need the cycle, just the helmet. Find yourself a spot on the floor and wait for some of those horny bitches to start flocking around. But if you're Black and you want to lay on the "Black side" of the lobby, an occasional conga drum or red, black and green button comes in handy and you'll make friends fast.

If the lobby isn't your scene, you still have the vendeteria, the card playing room across from the book store or the academic annex. If you still can't hack it then ramble on — you have our respect. Now we realize that you have to go somewhere during your class breaks, etc. Therefore, we cannot completely downgrade these situations for they shall always exist. But the fact is that you can become involved in other things such as writing for the newspaper or being an active participant in the newly formed Student Union. Some new and better minds could be used in both of those organizations. You might just be the one with some new perceptive that could be used in bringing about change

here at C.C.P. What we're stressing here is involvement. We know that we've struck some heavy blows so far, but the fact is don't become a dormant personality. Instead of following the sheep, lead your own herd.

Ever since the college's beginning back in '64 things have remained the same with little or no changes coming about. Then came the strike and things still haven't changed. There were about 200 of us who went the route on that night back in March. We gathered on the eighth floor in an effort to stress our complaints on the way things were being run. As far as we're concerned, we should still be on the eighth floor.

People made one big mistake during that strike in that they began depending solely on what the "Big Four" had to say. Then they went even further and elected those men as their Union representatives. We haven't seen any changes lately, have you? Gee, and there's only one week left of school. What ever happened to the "Fantastic Four"? Take our word for it, you'll come back in September and it'll be the same old shit.

You students here at C.C.P. will someday have to come to the realization that you, yourselves hold the power in the school. This power, being the freedom to strike — a freedom that was applied during that week in March to bring the Administration to its knees. If you thought when you voted during the last election that the four men you selected would have some mystical power to

solve all your grievances, you're wrong. These four men have as much power as a 1-watt light bulb without your support. What kind of people are you? You elect them to help YOU win the fight, then you desert them.

Even though we've thrown a few blows, let it be known that this newspaper fully supports the Union and its Chairmen and we hope that someday we will be able to take back any sarcastic implications that we have made. In any event, one thing must be said for the Union Chairmen, and that is that they showed a lot of damn gumption. We would just like to see it renewed so that it won't be said that the students of this college were humored and whitewashed with the utmost diplomacy on the part of the Administration.

And now a word about the faculty: The faculty was one of the big shaft holders of the year and they rammed it hard right up the students. They stood in their classrooms and told us of their grievances and how if they could be rectified, it would help not only them, but the students. Then they got together their little movement for a strike and asked for our support. We marched around holding their signs as we stood in their corner all the way. Many believe that the faculty copped out when their movement sort of fizzled out. Then the students made their move. Where was our supporting faculty? They were home watching us in our efforts on their TV sets. Oh sure,

a handful of them stayed with us — a very small handful. To them we say "thanks." What else can we say? We're sure that by now word is around as to who are our dedicated instructors. Once again we state our appreciation. To the other faculty members who couldn't care less which way the wind blows, as long as their stinkin' pay check is there for them, we hope to return the favor someday.

We could go on bitchin', but what's the use? If you haven't opened your eyes yet, there's no getting to you anyway. If you don't understand the object of this write-up, you're stupid and it's the Admissions Office's fault for ever letting you come here. As we said before, we're emphasizing involvement. If your idea of college is just courses and credits — get real! This place is filled with pseudo intellectuals.

If we seem rather jittery or irate, we are. If we rubbed you the wrong way, tough. We're sick of being surrounded by shitheads, and some of the biggest ones of all were with THE COMMUNICATOR this year. But we're hoping that's all changed now and we're looking forward to a new staff with fresh ideas next year. So let's all take the summer to cool off and take it easy, and possibly come back in September with a new outlook on things.

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT YEAR

By T. A. MARTIN

A newspaper's first and foremost duty is to keep its readers as well informed as possible concerning all that is happening. Also it must attempt to review and rout out the facts and issues behind the news. A student newspaper, besides its foremost duties must give students a chance to read one another's opinions. Past editors of the COMMUNICATOR have endorsed and pursued this policy with limited success. Next semester George Beasley and myself, as Co-Editors, intend to continue the policy of a student newspaper by the students at large and stress more involvement.

The college in light of recent student mobilization has shown it has the makings of a more than decent college. Next semester might be that one which the C.C.P. turns on.

PEACE

A LETTER FROM TATE

Dear Dr. Bonnell:

Thank you for your letter with respect to the sit-in at the Community College of Philadelphia.

Although sit-ins and other demonstrations, as you say, may have become "an expected part of college life," they still pose for those of us entrusted with the administration of the government for all of the people the same problems of public safety necessary in City life.

In the performance of these public duties, we are in a position to recognize the non-academic aspects of what you may consider totally academic situations, and we, in government, must focus our thinking on the general public good.

The situation at the Community College, while it may have been peaceful, as you have described it, certainly contained ingredients that, in similar cases, have provided non-peaceful repercussions. This office received numerous calls from anxious

parents and concerned taxpayers with respect to the sit-in, and inasmuch as this was taking place inside of a City institution, it became necessary for city forces to react appropriately to the situation.

The refusal of the College Administration to permit the police to enter the building, which is City property, unless by invitation, certainly cannot be countenanced in view of their mission to preserve the general public safety, and I do believe that the reserve and judicious actions on the part of the police in this matter are deserving of commendation.

I am also addressing this communication to the members of the Board of Trustees to solicit their views on this situation, which I hope and trust will not be repeated.

With all good wishes and kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,
James H.J. Tate
Mayor

Please May We Have the Lobby?

By AL GOTTO

This past Tuesday some sixty students showed up at a student union meeting. The meeting was held in the distant and unattached Auditorium on the 2nd floor of the Academic Annex. Meanwhile back in the lobby, a rock group was performing for a fashion show! "Now isn't that an academic boost for CCP?"

However, when the Moratorium committee requested to use the lobby for speakers they were flatly denied, being told that it would "interfere" with the flow of student activity. Bullshit!!

Getting back to the meeting, I asked moderator Sonny Kanterman why couldn't we hold the meeting in the lobby from now on? After all the SGA did and there was a fashion show going on wasn't there? So Sonny began to explain to me why we couldn't, it sounded like Dr. Sherwood talking, then he did a complete about face and said, "Let's see Sherwood", shouts of "right on" echoed as we all picked ourselves up and went across the street.

Dr. Sherwood said he would see us and so he did and that was all he did "see us". If he would have listened with his ears instead of his mouth as usual and typical of his kind, maybe he would have learned something.

Being students who are coming here for an education (and paying for it) as taxpayers who pay everyone's damn salary in the place we have a right to the running of this shithouse. Dr. Sherwood forgets one thing he is a hired public servant and can be fired (and should be). If he is Dean of Students then he should be responsible to students, not catering to the whims of the Board of Trustees.

My true sympathy lies with Dr. Bonnell and Laird Simmons, Jr., whom I consider very responsible men. But they have to deal with underlings who are incompetent and very irresponsible. If the school fired Dr. Sherwood, Dr. Pietak, Mr. Field and Mr. Brennen and replaced them with concerned and honest men this school would be in the right direction of becoming a college.

Crawling Minds

By OLGA POWZANIUK

It's your mind
that rips your body,
and the soul just
dies away . . .
While you're laying there
All naked.
Seeing faces of tin soldiers
who have left their mark
on doors of
yesterday.

But,
You try to come together.
Glueing pieces of the nightmare
into a picture of
Today.
And you see the
river running
over stones in shallow
waters turning
Black and darker grey.

We watched the crucifixion and
we spread the new to
all—
Because the blood had
overflowed:
Cleansed and
Beautified the seekers of
tomorrow
He died in lands of hunger.
And has died in streets of
fighting—
Standing
Giving
Speaking
While mankind picked up the
rifle
and shot a hole
to keep him

Quiet.
You see the gods that scream
to kill you, while
They sit behind round tables,
preaching gospels of the
traitors.
But—
I see the greenest valleys
and the rain that's
pouring on them:
Keeping satan in the bushes
while the flowers keep on
growing . . . And
I
Turn to
Kiss the Wind—

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The Diversity of Human Ignorance

By JEFF HURVITZ

Once upon a time, great herds of hippodami occupied most areas in South Africa. They would splash about and create frenzy in the basically placid waters of those regions. As "civilization" spread its unique charm to them, these supposedly useless beings were killed off, almost to the point of extinction. This is precisely an example of how man creates his own death bed.

The hippodamus is indeed a big, ugly creature. Yet their true value to our entire environment, which we call the ecosystem, wasn't known to their assassins. The significance of their splashing behaviorisms was that they kept the chronically stagnant waters moving. This deterred disease which accompanies stagnant waters. But, with these creatures absent, disease did occur. Its primary contributors were the worms who took up permanent residence on the banks of rivers. These worms eventually infiltrated humans and resulted in disease.

Numerous other species of life have become either extinct or nearly extinct through man's many malpractices. Among them is the American Buffalo. Perhaps in the future, this genocide might be the blame for other disease. At any rate, human ignorance is certainly taking its toll.

Currently being pursued at great length is the topic of pollution. This might be termed the epidemic of human ignorance. While man is producing better products in greater quantity than ever before, this advanced technology is only resulting in sickness, in all shapes and sizes. In order to understand this problem, let's first delve into the meaning of pollution.

The varriedness of pollution is comparable only to the diversity of disease itself. You see, pollution truly is a form of disease. The term pollution, however, is only a title given to a vast quantity of human detriments which, unless quelled, will eventually destroy life on this planet. The gradual steps leading to this eventual death are much more frightening than the actual death itself.

Pollution may be divided up into sub-categories which include: air pollution, water pollution, noise pollution, and pollution of crops, among other things. Some important sidelights fall under these sub-headings. In this category are: adverse conditions caused by population explosion, disposal of waste products, vanishing species of animal life, and an almost endless number of related complexities caused for the most part by man himself.

In order to defeat this artery of destruction, action must be taken immediately. This is precisely what Earth Week is all about.

Concerned people, the "beautiful people", are the ones involved in this program. It is aimed at applying the necessary pressure to get the large polluters to come to their senses.

These large polluters are almost exclusively the people who either own or direct factory production, not to mention the public utilities, such as our own Philadelphia Electric Company, the number one polluter in our area.

Included in the factory production aspect are the automobile manufacturing outlets. Beside creating pollution while manufacturing these vehicles, they are making products which will later emit dangerous, toxic fumes. This overall avenue of stupidity must be curtailed profusely if we are to exist in a "normal" state of life.

Let's only hope that pseudo-compromises are not the resultant products of Earth Week. These polluters must be made to realize something which is obviously a very disturbing fact for them — all the money in the world cannot buy good health. Amen!

Here are the top ten polluters in Philadelphia. Give them a kiss for being so nice and give them a kick in the shins if they don't detect the note of sarcasm.

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The Honorable James H. J. Tate City Hall Phila., Penna.

My Dear Mr. Mayor:

May I, on behalf of all the Trustees of the Community College and its President, reply to your letter of March 26th to Dr. Bonnell; copies of which we received.

Please believe us that we fully share your concern for the general public good. At all times we will make it our primary objective and guideline.

We understand clearly the anxiety of parents of students and taxpayers which prompted the many calls to you and also your effort to resolve the situation promptly and peacefully. Fortunately, our mutual concern for the orderly operation of the College, the safety of the total student body, and the general public good were met without the use of force and without any injury to persons or property. This does inestimable credit to the City and the College and is in striking contrast to the vandalism and violence in many colleges.

Let me add that Commissioner Rizzo was most understanding and helpful. Judge Wennet and he were in constant communication about the situation.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

(Continued from Page 3)

I feel that is more than the many students on the 8th floor who didn't know why they were there except that it was exciting, fun, a good way to get an Easter vacation, an easy means of getting their pictures in the newspapers and so on. As far as I'm concerned, the number of people involved in support of the so called "student strike" is neither here nor there. The estimates I heard and the number of people I saw on the 8th floor does not represent the student body. What matters is who gives a damn and obviously the "Communicator" (or maybe just Tom Martin) does not give their sanction of approval on anyone who disagrees on their views. I think this newspaper should practice what they so frequently preach and back up their "mud-slinging" with concrete facts. The "Students is Nigger" only because of a few tactless individuals who are in truth rebels without a cause. The best laugh I had was when Martin called Mr. Dougherty a political reactionary and gave examples of this type of politician Wallace and Maddox. Obviously he does not know Mr. Dougherty. The statement was unfair and it lowered my opinion of the newspaper and Martin even more.

In short, I think the "Communicator" and T. A. Martin owe apologies to David Kaufman and Mr. Dougherty because this time their false generalizations went too far and are definitely in the minority. Finally, to those students who continue to read the "Communicator", I'd like to remind them that paper never refuses ink.

Susan Harris

The Commissioner, and the men under his command do, indeed, deserve our thanks and commendation.

I assure you most sincerely of the desire of the Trustees and the College Administration to cooperate with you, not alone as Mayor of this City, but also as the one individual (public or private) who did more than any other to bring this College into being. We acknowledge also, and are grateful for, your understanding, of, and commitment to, the mission of the College and for the continuous support of your high office which the College has enjoyed.

We shall do everything within our power to assure conditions at the College which permit quality education to be pursued without disorder, disruption, or intimidation.

We count upon your continued understanding, cooperation and support and hope the College will always merit the confidence and backing of all citizens.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,
Laird H. Simons, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

"Sheep Are Never In Fashion" Break Away



FIG LEAF

By UNDA TAMBONE

FASHIONS today are fun and exciting. The summer preview wardrobe in Figleaf's Fashion Show last Tuesday was a perfect example. But, there is one thing to remember in choosing YOUR summer wear this season and that is — make it YOURS. Let fashion identify with your personality, life, and figure. If your a little unsure as to what to identify with, go slow. Look through magazines, watch others on the street, or take inventory of your favorite movie star.

Whether you know your type or still perfecting one, the important thing is to steal and steal selectively. Take what you like — a shade of red, and aphorism, a recipe, the cut of a shoe from friends, a painting or history. But, whatever you do to "make" your type keep your eye on the cardinal rule: Know Thyself. Or if currently impossible, know your Public.

Learn to express yourself — with new ways of handling accessories, with self designed monograms or jewelry or belts. Have a point of view in your clothes — understand that your satin dress doesn't go to the beach. Wear fabrics where they are at home. Have

a sense of what color does for your personality too. The warm tones — yellow-orange and reds are advancing forward, assertive colors. They are emotional, and can be stirring. But they are high visibility colors and heavy explosive material — and they increase size, so look out. Your personality must be strong to carry them and your body must be shapely. On the other hand, a quiet, shy person can be helped by using small dashes of such colors or whole costumes of them in subdued tones to achieve a "lifting" effect. Now, the violet-blue green range is quieting, submissive and retiring. It also means a reduction in size, so for anyone who is large or out of proportion, this a color prescription.

If you are tall and angular, don't attempt kittenish costumes. If you're an Alice-Sit-By-The-Fire, don't force yourself into tailored or over-sophisticated things. Make your style your own. Don't follow fads. Sheep are never in fashion and don't follow fashion either unless they compliment you. Once you have achieved YOUR look everyone must realize that your style is no accident but rather a CREATION!!!



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PLASTICVILLE REVISITED

By AL GOTTO

In an earlier issue of the Communicator I wrote an article entitled "The Plastic Revolution". In it I gave the hypothesis that people are only as phony or plastic as far as one can see everything that is in the mind of the "phony" is what is important.

Now, I do not intend to rehash the same rhetoric but rather, I wish to concern myself with another student problem, plastic concern! Sounds neat, heh? Well, read on; it gets better.

As everyone knows by now (even those of you to whom this article is directed at) the students in this here place went on strike! Amazing isn't it! Imagine that, fat-assed do-nothing CCP Students showing concern. Heavy isn't it!

Well, in all good revolutions there is always a hard core who mean what they say, but go along for the ride. Why? What are you people thinking about? Let's get on the ball. This is your school too, whatever happens today affects you tomorrow.

Granted, there are special interest groups in this school that everyone isn't interested in, but damn it, the strike and student union are for you. Don't you care about your education your future? Well, if you do, stop hanging around the lobby shooting the breeze about nothing and get cracking. Can't you feel the administration's hands around your throat? Well, surprise, surprise, they are.

I am particularly upset about my fellow South Philadelphians enrolled here. Everyday you guys and gals hang in one spot and rap until your last class is over and leave totally oblivious to the fact that there is a school in session.

Sitting there acting the same way you did in high school as a freshman, making outright spectacles of yourself. Get up, stand and shout, your students too. Your attitudes and action reflect your thinking and mentality.



THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

The Reception is also the occasion for the presentation of several awards which are announced at this time instead of at the College Awards Dinner or at Commencement.

No formal program is planned except for the announcement of the award winners, but members of the faculty from the various divisions will be assembled at specific locations in the Lobby and Vendeteria to facilitate meeting Seniors and their parents.

The President's Reception for graduating seniors and their families will be held Sunday, May 17, from 4 until 7 p.m. in the Lobby and Vendeteria of the College.

The Reception gives President and Mrs. Bonnell, along with members of the Board, administrators, and faculty, an opportunity to say goodbye to members of the graduating class and to meet their parents.



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... Jerry

SWAMI BUSTED

By BONZO the
RUBBER BOY

Last week at the Community College of Oz, Swami, the reknowned Oz Voice Newspaper reporter, was busted for the illegal possession of Zonkers. Swami, whose bold disregard for school regulations on Zonkers blatantly defied the Wizzard of Cosbo, the college's president by strolling through the main lobby of the college popping one Zonker after another screaming, "I shall overcome!"

Upon hearing the news, the entire student body of Winkies, Blinkies and Nods, marched to the Student Chaos office and demanded that the office support a student strike and raise money to bail out Swami. Chairman of the Student Chaos Office, Cloudy Day, said in reply, "I only have an anal passage and there is nothing more I can do to help your man, Swami."

After hearing Cloudy Day's statement the student contingents marched to the College President's office and demanded that he post bail for Swami.

Under physical pressure the Wizard of Cosbo submitted and contracted Beany, Cecil and Captain Huffn' Puff for two hours to raise the trillion dollars necessary to bail out Swami.

The dynamic trio of Beany and Cecil and Huffn' Puff raised the trillion dollars bail just in time to save Swami from the gallows after a mock trial conducted by the Honorable Judge Roy Bean had found Swami guilty on possession of illegal use of Zonkers.

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